

REMARKS

Claims 1, 4-12, 15-18, and 21-29 are pending. In an Office Action mailed March 22, 2007, claims 1-27 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 as claiming the same invention as that of claims 1-27 of U.S. Patent No. 6,681,228. By this Amendment, claims 1, 6, 8, 10-11, 15-18, 23, 25 and 27 are amended, claims 2-3, 13-14, and 19-20 are canceled, and claims 28-29 are new. No new matter has been added.

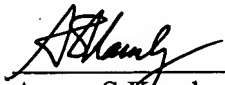
It is respectfully submitted that the claims are no longer coextensive in scope with those of the '228 patent, and therefore the double patenting rejection is moot. Withdrawal of the rejection and reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Based on the above remarks, Applicants believe the claims are in condition for allowance. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayment to the deposit account of Kenyon & Kenyon LLP, Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned to discuss any matter concerning this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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